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Serial No. 09/690,793	Filing Date October 17, 2000	Examiner N/A	Group Art Unit 2121
Inventor(s) Wetzer et al.			
Title of Invention Configuring Mechanical Equipment			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449; five cited references; and return post card.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time.
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**FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The references now cited are the following:

**Other Art**

McQueen, G., "Aircraft Maintenance," *Industrial Maintenance & Plant Operations*, August 1996.

MIL-HDBK-61, Military Handbook, "Configuration Management Guidance," September 1997.

International Search Report dated November 16, 2001, for corresponding international application PCT/US01/29384.

International Search Report dated December 28, 2001, for corresponding international application PCT/US01/32154.

International Search Report dated January 2, 2002, for corresponding international application PCT/US01/32576.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

This Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

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